Clearance of projects of Andhra Pradesh

4431. SHRI NANDI YELLAIAH: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Draft Project Report of the Alisagar Lift Irrigation Scheme, which aims at lifting 72 cusecs of water from Godavari river at Kosli village in Navipet Mandal of Nizamabad district with total utilization of 2.32 tmc is pending for clearance with the Planning, Cost Appraisal and Construction Machinery Consultancy Directorate of CWC;

(b) if so, the reasons for delay in giving clearance to above said project of Andhra Pradesh Government; and

(c) the time likely to be taken to approve the DPR of the said project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAY PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV): (a) The Alisagar Lift Irrigation Scheme was accepted by Technical Advisory Committee of Ministry of Water Resources on 2.3.2007 for Rs. 227.90 crore. The investment clearance was issued by Planning Commission on 23.3.2007 for Rs. 227.90 crore.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

STATEMENT BY MINISTER CORRECTING ANSWER TO QUESTION

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): Sir, I lay on the Table a Statement (in English and Hindi) correcting the reply given in the Rajya Sabha on the 13th March, 2007 to Unstarred Question 1488 regarding 'Entry of Private Companies in Ground Handling Operations'.

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

[MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN in the Chair]

Notification of the Ministry of Finance

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): Sir, I lay on the Table, under section 296 of the Income-tax Act, 1961, a copy (in English